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Appln. No.: 10/606,361                                  Group: 2838  
Filed: June 26, 2003                                      Examiner: BERHANE, A.  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING THE POWER  
SUPPLIED TO A LOAD

**COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT**  
**OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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January 21, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, Applicant provides the following comments.

***R E M A R K S***

Claims 1-13 remain allowed in connection with the present application.

While Applicant does not dispute that each of the claims of the present application are allowable over the prior art of record as a whole, Applicant further wishes to emphasize that certain features identified in the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance are not specifically recited in independent claim(s). For instance, claim 4 does not specifically recite "the load is connected to and

disconnected from the AC power supply at a frequency which is at least 500 times higher than the frequency of the AC power supply" mentioned in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance is applicable wherever it is appropriate in view of the language of the allowed claims and should not be in any way construed to limit the scope of protection offered by these allowed claims.

Should there be any outstanding matters which need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Esther H. Chong (Registration No. 40,953) at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and further replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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